

Items of Interest.

—Daniel Webster earned stray shillings as a choreboy.

—The oldest national flag in the world is that of Denmark, which has been in use since the year 1219.

—Prince Ludwig of Bavaria has created Prof. Roentgen of Wurzburg, the renowned discoverer, a baron.

—During the sixteenth, seventeenth and eighteenth centuries no less than 3,000,000 slaves were carried by English, French and Dutch ships from Africa to America.

—The question as to whether or not the word God shall be placed in the constitution of the United States is again being agitated. A hearing was given last week, by the House Judiciary Committee, to the advocates and apponents of a bill for that purpose, which bill is now before the House.

—The House Committee has agreed to recommend the spending of \$32,000,000 in building new ships for the United States Navy. The Treasury has no money to spend, there being a small deficit as it is, and Congress has deliberately taken the stand it will do nothing for the finances. Where is the money to come from?

—There is a law in New York which says that no saloon shall be opened within 200 feet of a school or a church. Now wealthy men can easily buy houses in the worst part of the city and prevent licenses from being issued to saloons within 200 feet. The Raines bill adds further restrictions to the sale of liquor in restaurants on Sunday.

—The revolution in Nicaragua goes on after the manner of such revolutions. It seemed at one time that Zelaya, the president was getting the best of it. Recent reports indicate that he isn't. The only trustworthy information is that there is certainly a revolution now on. The revolution in Venezuela is suppressed some more.

The X rays are doing good in surgery everywhere. Here in Louisville a shot which entered a boy's finger was located in his hand and extracted easily, whereas probing would have been difficult. At Johns Hopkins a lady came with a badly swollen hand whose cause she did not know, and all the doctors could tell was that there was some irritating cause somewhere. The X rays showed a piece of steel in the fleshy part of the hand.—*Ex.*

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

STATEMENT.

DURING THE LAST TERM'S WORK in the Theological Department of our college, PROF. J. ALLEN MILLER delivered a number of Lectures to a class of students, among them the three following. The class has repeatedly requested a publication of these lectures in book form. Competent critics have pronounced the subject matter valuable, and have expressed a desire to have the same put in permanent form. Our church needs good literature and here is an opportunity of making a valuable addition to the same.

SUBJECT MATTER OF LECTURES.

First Lecture:—THE TIME OF THE CHRIST.

This lecture covers in outline a vast field of knowledge, so essential to a correct understanding of the time in which Christ lived. It treats on the value of historical knowledge; The geography and topography of Palestine; The Jews, origin and history; The ethnology of Palestine; Public and private life; The world's religions, educational, political, social, moral and philosophical state in the time of Christ.

Second Lecture:—THE AUTHORITY OF THE BIBLE.

The testimony upon which the authority of the Bible rests is briefly set forth. It treats on the idea of God; The possibility, probability, and reasonableness of Revelation; The necessity, logic, and philosophy of Revelation; Definition of Revelation; Communication of Revelation; Formation of the Canon of Scriptures; The superiority of the Christian System; The Inspiration of the Bible shown from Prophecy, the claims of Christ and the Apostles; also from its moral sublimity, its exalted precepts and promises, its harmony and unity of purpose, its self-evident truths, its holy influence on the lives of men, and the witness of the Spirit in the hearts of Believers.

Third Lecture:—HOW TO INTERPRET THE BIBLE.

This lecture sets forth the true spirit of Bible study; States three principles of fundamental import underlying all possibility of correct interpretation; and concludes by stating the primary laws of interpretation, explaining and illustrating each.

PLAN. . .

The subject matter will be arranged in chapters and sections under appropriate heads. A carefully prepared index will be added. This will make a book of a hundred or more pages. It will be artistically printed on a fine quality of book paper, neatly bound in flexible covers, or if preferred, in cloth.

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